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The work of Emeline Crane makes the Methodist Youth Fund come alive for the Methodist youth and adult leaders who give their dimes and dollars for the fund's world-wide ministry. Now Methodist Youth Fund projects will really come alive for Emeline Crane as she takes a six-month, globe-circling trip to four continents. She pauses for the camera at New York International airport as she boards a Pan American World Airways Clipper to London. (See News)

Forum

FACTS FORUM AGAIN

Sirs:

In July, August and September 1952 CONCERN ran first an article giving a good plug to an organization known as Facts Forum, then a letter condemning it, then another letter condemning the writer of that letter. No definite conclusions were ever made concerning this Dallas, Texas organization which gets together small groups of people to discuss issues and has now grown to radio broadcast and TV stature. On programs it analyzes polls taken from Facts Forum members all over the country and hears statements from key figures on both sides of a controversy.

The big question raised in CONCERN was, and still is, "Is Facts Forum really unbiased in its presentations, or is it plugging a reactionery, conservative point of view?"

A careful analysis of the organization's literature, radio programs, and TV presentations doesn't leave too much doubt about the answer to that question. Although both sides are presented in each case, they are hardly presented in an equal way, and in most cases the "loading" is pretty obvious.

A good clue to Facts Forum's point of view comes from a current *Look* magazine article on McCarthy which reveals that the senator's bride once helped launch a TV series on Facts Forum, backed by H. L. Hunt of Dallas, the godfather of Facts Forum, who pours thousands into the organization from his oil fortune. McCarthy was the first guest star on the TV series, and the article says that it is rumored that Hunt may eventually back the Wisconsin senator in a series of reports to the nation on his activities.

This is a strange alliance for an "unbiased," "democratic" organization purposing to "get the facts" on any subject.

Roger Burgess, D. C.

FLIP CHART WORKS

Sirs:

Here are six more CONCERN subscriptions from the Janesville subdistrict booth festival. Wesley Nelson, Wisconsin Conference outreach chairman and I have made a CONCERN flip chart and constructed a tripod for it. It sure does help in the sales of CONCERN. We have great plans for its use in the future.

George Thomas, Wis.

—ANY READERS INTERESTED IN MAKING A CONCERN FLIP-CHART SHOULD WRITE US AT BOX 871, NASHVILLE 2. WE HAVE A PAGE BY PAGE LAYOUT TO GET YOU STARTED.

AND THE NEWS COMES

Sirs:

Orchids to CONCERN! It's really wonderful to have a magazine for youth by the youth themselves. My favorite department is the news about local and district MYFs. I enclose an article about our MYF which I hope you will be able to use.

Eleanor Ulrich, Wash.

—THAT'S HOW CONCERN GETS MUCH OF ITS MATERIAL. DO YOU HAVE A STORY THAT OTHERS WOULD LIKE TO READ? SEND IT IN.

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ıeline Crane visits ›uth Fund projects

›n a Pan American Stratocruiser ›pper out of New York last No- ıber 17 was a member of the Youth ›artment staff, Emeline Crane, nd then for London, England. Miss ıne keeps flying east until early ıe when she returns to her office Nashville. Purpose of the trip: to overseas work of The Methodist ırch, particularly the projects related the Methodist Youth Fund.

Miss Crane's staff job is promotion the Youth Fund. Armed with a fast ıera and Skyriter typewriter, she l take advantage of every oppor- ity to gather pictures and story ma- al about Youth Fund work. Results her trip will be evident in many ure issues of CONCERN, the *Method- Youth Fund Bulletin*, the *Methodist man*, *World Outlook*, and other pub- tions of the church.

)n her six-month trip Miss Crane l visit several countries in Europe, rth Africa, the Holy Land, Pakis- , India, Burma, Thailand, Malaya, neo, Philippine Islands, Japan and waii. On Christmas Eve she will be the Field of the Shepherds just out- e Bethlehem, Jordan.

Emeline Crane has been abroad be- e. From 1938 to 1941 she was a ssionary teacher at Gamewell school, ping, China. Her home town doctor San Diego, Calif., gave her umpteen ections and innoculations, loaded her with pills and prescriptions, and t her forth for this trip. Methodists ll hear much about it.

NEWS

Board of World Peace sees U.N. at first hand

New York City was the site of the 1953 meeting of the Methodist Board of World Peace, giving the members of the Board a real opportunity to see the United Nations at work. The Board met November 17-19 at Christ Church (Methodist).

Highlight of the meeting was a dinner gathering addressed by V. K. Krishna Menon, delegate of India to the U.N. The dinner meeting was planned by the host church's committee on the U.N. which carries out an active program of hospitality particularly toward younger members of the U.N. staff of member nations.

The Board of World Peace voiced appreciation for the interest which Secretary of State John Foster Dulles is taking in the strengthening of the U.N. "It is heartening to have a public official in his place of leadership take this stand expressing strong belief in the cooperative adventure of the nations toward better world order," the resolution said. Similar gratitude was expressed to the Secretary-General of the U. N. for providing opportunities for organizations to learn about its functioning and to confer with its representatives.

The Board viewed "with approval the recent address of President Eisenhower concerning disarmament and his fervent wish that resources now spent on

W. A. Visser 't ›ft of Geneva, (left), ıeral secretary of the ›rld Council of urches, invited Presi- t Eisenhower to ad- ss the second as- ıbly of the World ıncil to be held at anston, Ill., next gust. He was ac- ıpanied to the White use by Bishop G. ›mley Oxnam, a sident of the World ›uncil.

arms might be used for the diminution of poverty, ignorance and disease."

"Church groups have a conscience concerning the direction in which civilization is moving," Dr. Andrew Cordier, executive assistant to the U.N.'s Secretary-General, told the Methodist leaders in a lengthy conference. "This gives them a natural interest in the U. N." He cautioned them, "It is important to recognize the magnitude, continuity and inevitability of the problems the U.N. faces."

"Loud but not strong," was the way Mrs. Jean Singer appraised the anti-U.N. movement. Representing the U. S. Mission to the U.N., of which she is a staff member, Mrs. Singer deplored the incomplete picture the public obtains of the scope and operations of this world organization. "The press tends to be mainly interested in the conflicts of the U.N. rather than its constructive accomplishments," she said. "It is at this point the non-governmental organizations can be of much help."

A Clergyman Speaks

Dr. Archibald Carey, both a lawyer and a clergyman of the A.M.E. Zion Church, met the Board members in his capacity as an alternate delegate of the U. S. to the U.N. "It is better to shout at one another than to shoot at one another," he commented when the contentions and difficulties of the U.N.'s several bodies were mentioned. "It is better to be in a diplomatic stalemate than in a military stalemate. People can no more abandon the principles and objectives of the U.N. than preachers can abandon their vision of the Kingdom of Heaven."

Executive Secretary Charles F. Bos Jr., conducted Board of World Peac members through the recently opene service office of the Board in the new ly erected Carnegie Foundation Inter national Peace Center across the stree from U.N. headquarters.

A new youth member was added t the Board, Judy Lepard of Gran Rapids, Mich., student at Albion Co lege and president of the Michiga Conference MYF. She had been nom nated for the post by the National Cor ference of Methodist Youth at its Ka sas City meeting last August. NCM financial secretary Ken Thompson, Jr continues as the other youth membe

Church members reach new heights in giving

Church giving in America has jump ed to a new all-time high, with a re ord of nearly a billion and a half dolla in one year.

This represents an increase of 8 per cent over the previous annual tota The statistical report covers fisca years in all or part of 1952 in 4 Protestant and Eastern Orthodox de nominations. Rev. Thomas K. Thomp son, director of the National Counc of Churches' department of stewar ship and benevolence, said as he i sued the report last month that th most noteworthy fact in the annu summary is an outstanding increase o 14.8 per cent in benevolence giving (Benevolence contributions suppor home and foreign missions, overseas re lief and reconstruction, and churc welfare enterprises like orphanage

While Queen Frederika looks on with smiles, King Paul of Greece expresses thanks to U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold who just handed him a check from U.N. staff employees for Greek Earthquake relief. The royal couple visited the U.N. during their tour of the USA.

es for the aged and hospitals.)
ut one-fifth of all church contribu-
s goes for benevolences.
he report shows that the average
ch member's total yearly contribu-
rose from $38.99 to $41.94. High-
giving per member was reported by
Seventh Day Adventists, with a
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nber, including a record figure of
5.59 for benevolences. Four other
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nber contributions of more than
): Wesleyan Methodist, $149.56;
thren in Christ, $120.44; Church of
Nazarene, $117.97; and the Ortho-
Presbyterian, $109.34.
ear the bottom of the list was The
hodist Church, average giving per
nber: $31.57.

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ch on the campus of Japan Inter-
onal Christian University, and with
much money on hand, leaders of
went ahead with building.
onstruction started last August,
in ceremonies on November 6, ICU
sident Hachiro Yuasa laid the cor-
tone for the church. It is scheduled
completion by next spring.
fter Dr. Emil Brunner, one of the
ld's foremost theologians, who re-
ly came from Switzerland to join
ICU faculty as professor of Chris-
ethics and philosophy, had read the
ptures, President Yuasa put into
cornerstone a small metal box con
ing various documents and souve-
of the occasion.

Three-cent meals still feed millions

Since June over 116 tons of Multi-Purpose Food have been shipped to hunger areas of the world. These shipments represent 1,856,000 three-cent meals, bringing the total for seven years of Meals for Millions operation to 27,360,000 meals.

Famine districts of India continue to receive the largest shipments with Korea second. Recently Multi-Purpose Food has gone to Hong Kong, Western Europe, Africa, Jamaica, Haiti, Pakistan, Japan, Okinawa, Arabia, New Hebrides, Israel, Iraq and Central America.

Floods and typhoons in Japan and crop shortages in many countries present crisis situations to which the Meals for Millions Foundation has responded.

A new area of service for MPF is in leper colonies, and tuberculosis sanitaria continue to be among the institutions that report MPF has special dietary value in stopping development of disease. A gift of 25 cases of MPF for a leper colony in South India was made possible by contributions from the United Christian Youth Movement.

World-wide publicity resulting from articles about Meals for Millions in the July *Reader's Digest* and June *Catholic Digest* have brought new interest in the project and new appeals for food shipments.

Groups interested in Meals for Millions may get full information from the Meals for Millions Foundation, 648 South Broadway, Los Angeles 14, Calif. Methodists may channel their giving to Meals for Millions through the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief.

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raised primarily
Christians in Iowa.

Methodist school has unusual student body

A Japanese typist in General Douglas McArthur's headquarters in Tokyo after World War II just happened to see a catalogue of Spartanburg Junior College. Today that young woman, Choko Nakamura, is studying at the self-help Methodist college in Spartanburg, S.C.

A club composed of American college women in Tokyo became interested in Choko and provided boat passage to America for her. At Spartanburg she earns her education. Choko is a convert to Christianity and a member of The Methodist Church. After her graduation she plans to return to Japan to teach "ideals of Christian democracy."

Spartanburg Junior College has a work-study program which enables students to earn their junior college education. After the student has chosen his course of study, his class schedule and work schedule are coordinated. Each student is paired with a partner, and one attends classes while the other works. At the end of each two-week period they exchange places.

The majority of students come from farms and industrial villages and cities of Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida and Tennessee. Choko is not the first foreign student, since Korea and Cuba have been represented in the student body.

Last year Sidney Shaw, a member of the Blackfoot Tribe of Florida's Everglades, an alumnus of Boys' Town, Neb., where he was president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, enrolled at Spartanburg to prepare himself for the Methodist ministry.

Spartanburg Junior College is one of several national mission schools of The Methodist Church. Others include Paine College, Augusta. Ga.; Lydia Patterson Institute, El Paso, Tex., and Spanish American Institute, Gardena. Calif.

These mission schools are affiliated with the Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions. Educational work abroad is related to the Division of World Missions, and most of the educational institutions in the USA are related to the General Board of Education's Division of Educational Institutions.

Miss Choko Nakamura of Toky Japan, studies at Spartanburg, a sel help school of The Methodist Churc She is an expert with a sewing machin and now is making window curtains f the school's dormitories.

Used clothing goes, and still more needed

Now that December has come, sno and cold is taking its toll in critic areas around the world. Americans a giving more used clothing than ever f the relief of persons in these areas, b still calls come for more clothes.

One Church World Service center, S Louis, reported that in the first nin months of 1953 it received and shipp almost 100,000 pounds, more than it r ceived in all of 1952. By the end of th month, the center expects to have shi ped about 37 freight car loads, or 1,30 000 pounds.

A former Wesley Foundation pres dent at Iowa State College wrote fro an army hospital in Korea requestin clothes for the kids he sees every day Bob Kyle said "the grass shacks an flimsy wood huts are scant protectio for the Korean people against the wind that whistle down from the north."

Send used clothing and about eigh cents a pound for shipping costs t your nearest Church World Servic center.

ar for righteousness

The sixth commandment unds so simple: You shall not l. And the words of Jesus in the rmon on the Mount are very ar: Do not resist one who is il. But if anyone strikes you on e right cheek, turn to him the ner also.

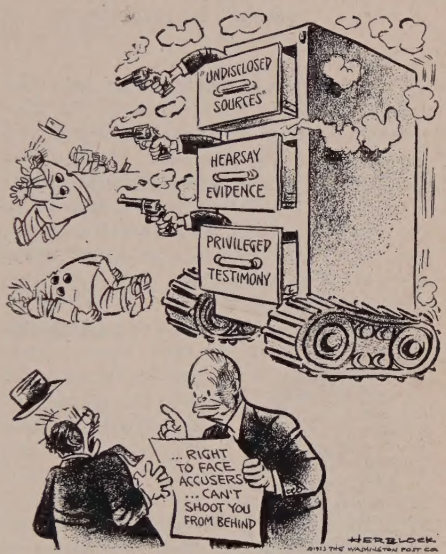
It takes some talk and digng under theological bushes to t around these simple comands. Everyone agrees that murder" is wrong, but most peo- have no trouble trying to stify the kind of killing that is volved in modern war. Many say at war is bad but may be the ly means to a good end. And ey say that a people must dend themselves and fight back if tacked by an aggressor. Or they me up with other reasons for dging the sixth commandment d the higher ethics of Jesus.

We just went through a 125-ge book that shook our think-g a lot and then brought it down what we think is solid ground. e Book: **Christianity, Diplomy and War,** published November by Abingdon-Cokesbury Press $1.75 a copy. The author is rbert Butterfield, distinguish- professor at the University of mbridge, England.

We were really excited by the apter on the war for righteous-ss—the kind of thing we may facing once again. Politicians y that democracies will fight if e people are keyed up to a real vor, if they are whipped into ral indignation and heated to naticism by the thought that ey are engaged in a war for hteousness. Propaganda and ntrol of information sources akes it easy for a government move people. A war for righte-sness, as it has been known in story, brings the most deadly atures of war: hatred, vicious-

VIEWS

"They've Been Mechanized Since Bill Hickok's Day"



ness, and refusal to compromise.

Such a war gains momentum on its own, and it usually carries a people far beyond their original purposes. A war for righteousness always gets out of hand—and no one can stop it. It becomes unlimited war.

Says Butterfield: "Indeed, if all wars are wars of unlimited ends—wars to end war, absolute conflicts of right versus wrong, and crusades against the supposed final seat of evil in the world—it does not at all follow that the outbreaks will be reduced in number or that the combats will be less intense."

What does unlimited war mean in the days of A- and H-bombs? What are the moral dangers of a war for righteousness? And what happens if both sides claim to be right and are sure they are? We shudder at the thought and then read once more the words of the Man from Nazareth.

What's doing

Cigarettes and stewardship

Two important facts came into the news last week. One came in the November 30 issue of *Time* magazine and the other in the October 31 issue of the *Information Service* of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Both had to do with one of the most highly advertised commodities in American life—*cigarettes.*

Educators, social workers and church leaders have been plugging away at a long established fact that cigarettes are not good for the health.

Ewing

Time magazine, November 30 in an article included in the section of "Medicine," reported: "For cigarette smokers famed surgeon Evarts A. Graham of St. Louis had news last last week. 'Dr Ernest L. Wynder and I have reproduced cancer experimentally in mice by using merely the tars from tobacco smoke. This shows conclusively that there is something in cigarette smoke which can produce cancer. This is no longer merely a possibility. Our experiments have proved it beyond any doubt.'" The article also points out that since 1933 the U. S. death rate from lung cancer (allowing for the growth of population) has quadrupled for men and doubled for women. It further insisted that by 1970, on the basis of the number of people now smoking, one out of every ten or twelve persons living will have cancer of the lung.

Information Service of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America reports on October 31 that the total domestic sales of cigarettes increased from 112,000,000,000 in 1933 to 397,000,000,000 in 1952. These figures were supplied by Lewis Gruber of the P. Lorillard Tobacco Company at a recent meeting of the National Association of Tobacco Distributors at New Orleans. You who get straight "A" in algebra can quickly calculate that 397,000,000,000 cigarettes divided by 160,000,000 people divided again by 20 cigarettes to the pack would give a total figure of approximately 124 packs per person living in the United States in the year 1950. This means that the total cigarette consumption in the United States of America for 1952 equalled an equivalent of 124 packs of cigarettes for every man, woman and child at a total cost of approximately $30.00 for each person!

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These figures are interesting in the light of the fact that the average Methodist contributes only $4.61 for church benevolences each year and the average Methodist youth gives approximately 44¢ a year to the Methodist Youth Fund — or approximately the cost of *two packs of cigarettes!*

We mentioned stewardship as we began. Stewardship is the personal responsibility of the Christian for all of the spiritual, physical and material assets which God has given us. I am wondering if the Chirstian youth might not seriously question as to what is the relationship of their obligation as Christian stewards to one of the most highly advertised habits of American life—the smoking of cigarettes. Can we squander health—via the road of lung cancer and early death, and consider ourselves good stewards, and good Christians? Can we squander our physical resources at the rate of 124 packs of cigarettes each twelve months and only give the price of two packs back to God through the church?

Perhaps the most important question which youth should answer as they consider this amazing social habit is what is the relation of stewardship and cigarettes?

—BY HAROLD W. EWING

Advent's adventure

ecorations sampling forth more rations to come . . . shiny wrap- s and toys in dime stores burgeon- forth in still more color above the usual color-riot . . . post offices sign- ing on more workers for the holidays . . . cards . . . lists . . . only so many more shopping hours . . . tempo will grow speedier . . . the ner- vous ritual more cacophonous . . .

ss Bowman

But also deep down, like rivers be- low the city of Shec- , will be quiet lovely carols . . . upward star-seeking look . . . re- nbrance of a Babe . . .

ut watch! In *neither* approach ht we discover the real meaning Advent! . . . the meaning that was n a tremendous thrust in the early rch . . . What? Not even in the rt-softening, angel song-wonder of Manger Scene? Yes. One might s the real Christ even there, miss ent's great Adventure.

dvent? Sounds strangely liturgical. ve words like that to the professors ooks on the church year. But it's key—to the church year, to church, hristmas, to Life . . .

or Advent means Christ coming! ing *to* somebody (the Latin "ad"). b-like action in the noun.Object im- d. To *whom* comes He? And how? ropriate Scripture for the first day in Advent is . . . (hold your rise) the Palm Sunday story. Jesus coming into a city, a specific lo- on, a real place on a real earth. For uries after, early churchmen read sang of the Man coming—into real s in a sturdy way. "Hail to the l's Anointed!" (from Latin, twelfth ury, with tune an ancient plain-); "O Come, O Come, Immanuel." Or, from Charles Wesley, "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus." The babe stories had a place, yes, but as a lovely de- tail, meaningful only as seen in the light of the Life. Makes us today feel a sweet, warm glow to bow before a Babe; have we the rugged nerve to face the hard-bitten challenge of the Life? We even try cleverly to escape it in creeds, skipping glibly from "born of the Vir- gin Mary," to "suffered under Pontius Pilate." Storms of argument have swirled around the vital statistics — birth, death; escape, albeit unwitting- ly, from facing up to the most Vital Statistic of all history: the way He gave His *daily* life. And so Nels F. S. Ferre writes whimsically, yet sym- pathetically, of ways we human crea- tures, afraid of the real Light, fashion for ourselves little umbrellas. Will we again this Advent?

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Now is prepare-the-way time. "Make the path straight." Let fogs of doubts give way before the Light. Significant- ly, the hymn preceding the Advent sec- tion in the Methodist hymnal, lifts thought (*stretches* it, really, beyond the sentimental first-person-singular pre- occupation) to Eternal God — "Thy truth shall break through every cloud that veils and darkens Thy designs." Yes, even "brooding clouds" (Jack Finegan's phrase) we ourselves stay under because we fear the Light.

For His coming is devastating! Not peace (apathetic, sentimental glow) but a sword (cutting through evil branches, selfish motives). People query about prayer. But deep down, most of us know far better how to pray than we dare do! For the Light might search us out . . . change us . . . make us *different* . . .

And being different from the herd is out of style these days. Over- street's outer-directed people. See also

David Reismann's "The Lonely Crowd;" he found even young people admitting surrender to crowd-mind. Willie Loman in "Death of a Salesman" says "Be well-liked and you'll never want." In "Is Anybody Listening?" Fortune's survey man Whyte says, "Conformity, it would appear, is being elevated to something akin to a religion . . . Perhaps Americans will arrive at an ant society, not through a dictator . . ." But the coming of the most richly Normal Personality the world has ever known cut through, in his day, the binding webs, that held people to lesser living like strong Gullivers bound by small threads. He asked sharp questions that cut through sham. He free lives to grow more Godlike . . . build society more Love-full.

But Advent costs discipline, too. W make a high resolve. But others mi understand, even ridicule; see ou struggles but not the Impulse fro which they come. We may start bol ly, then forsake . . . as Vincent Eve son observes, "even crucify this Chris spiration within."

In Holman Hunt's picture, H knocks. But once we open the door, H leads us forth from our small walle room . . . Advent-uring!

—BY CLARICE BOWMA

Thinking out the news

Shutting our eyes

Americans are geniuses at shutting their eyes.

That's the most charitable conclusion an intelligent, informed Japanese would be likely to reach after a little study of American Japanese relationships.

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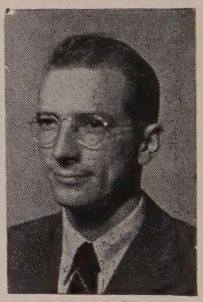
American found Japanese nationalism a menace, and relationships between the two nations deteriorated to the point of the Pearl Harbor attack. After defeating Japan at war, with the help of an unparalled horror weapon, the United States, through a benevolent *military dictatorship*, helped Japan to formulate a constitution banning the *war-making power* to Japan as a nation.

Almost in the same breath, this country took two more contradictory actions. We pushed Japan toward *rearmament*—and urged (or forced) her to sign a peace treaty which contained no mention at all of her *almost unanswerable food and population needs.*

Then, as George Carlin points out in the November, 1953 issue of the *Catholic Interracialist*, we topped this off by passing the McCarran Act, which limited the number of Japanese entering the U. S. to 85 persons per year, and began the consideration of higher tariff walls, such as the 3 per cent duty on tuna which was before Congress as the *Interracialist* for November went to press.

Japan has 85 million people in a area of the state Montana. By 19 her population, sa Carlin, should rea 95 million. Only on sixth of Japan arable land.



Nelson

If we pursue t policy of cutting o Japan's trade ma kets while rearmi her, we are inde sowing the seeds World War III. W are also apparently trying to force h into the arms of Communist China a Soviet Russia, who almost certain will develop extensive trade relatio ships with her if she cannot trade wit us. And then, of course, if we shut ou eyes and ears to her desperate nee for food and land, we are driving h into Communism's arms politicall speaking, too.

How tightly *can* we shut our eye anyhow?

—BY CLAUD NELSON, J

POWER for January - February March is now being mailed. Orde your copies now at 10 cents eac from POWER, P. O. Box 871, Nash ville 2, Tenn.

Liquor folks are after you

ne people who make and sell in-cating liquors are really after your onal patronage in a big way. Last they spent in excess of $1.65 just ry to get *you* to use their stuff. v spent $1.65 to influence your mom your dad to follow the way of life their business prosperity calls for. hey spent $1.65, in some form of rtising, for each man, woman and l in America, to induce them to chase and consume liquor products. he liquor interests come to you al-t every time you open a newspaper. y come into your living room via vision and the radio. Car-cards en-ain you with "success stories" and the profiles of "distinguished " when you ride public convey-es. They invade your leisure or dy hours in the colorful pages of ny of the "class" magazines. Liquor's bbling-brook" gurgle assails you ing the semi-sacred and sports pro-ms on television. In fact, the only se through which liquor advertising —as yet—been unable to reach you your family is that of smell! And, all I know, the propaganda boys be working on that now!

he inroads of advertising reach the e, and, indeed, almost every phase of American life, directly or indirectly. Liquor advertisements in the nation's newspapers last year dropped $32,557,000 newspaper coffers: we hope that did not influence editorial policy he selection of what news to print what not to print. Nine leading azines, with a total circulation of 00,000 plus, "earned" $21,500,000 liquor advertisements. (It should oted also that twelve national mag-es, with 38,000,000 total circulation, se to accept liquor advertising—they survive profitably.) Now the rtisers are working on two new ects: one, to sell liquor (especially) to the home by way of the mother and housewife who gets it in the grocery store, and who "knows that beer belongs in the American way of life;" and two, to reach youth and children — "tomorrow's consumers" — through tie-ins of clever liquor jingles and alluring drinking words and scenes with football, baseball, boxing and other sporting-athletic events. "If it's good on TV or to the winning pitcher, it ought to be good in my refrigerator and to me."

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Yes, "the brewer's big horses" may not be running over the children in the streets (as the old temperance song suggested), but the brewer and the distiller are after *you and those around you* in a more dangerous way than ever before. They are running over your minds as well as your bodies—and it's almost impossible to get out of their path.

It *is* difficult to know what one person, or even a group, can do in the face of this propaganda tide. Perhaps the least one can do is join with Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker (president) and the National Temperance and Prohibition Council (209 Ninth St., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.) in their "crusade against liquor advertising," Part of the "crusade" is to engage in personal correspondence with editors, publishers, radio and television station managers, commending those who refuse liquor advertisements; protesting to those who accept them. For further information on the "crusade," write to Bishop Hammaker.

—BY W. W. REID

Last call on Watchnight materials! If you haven't ordered copies of the Watchnight worship service by now, you may be too late. Cost is 2 cents a copy from Tidings, 1908 Grand Ave., Nashville 4, Tenn. Watchnight service in every church is part of the Youth Emphasis in Methodism!

CUES

Youth Department prepares carol book

Just in time for the Christmas season, the Youth Department has issued another songbook in the *Sing It Again* and *Lift Every Voice* series. It is *Song in the Air*, a 48-page collection of many of the well-known Christmas hymns, carols and a number of lesser known carols.

Several two-color illustrations by Majory Anderson of Yorkshire, England make the booklet very attractive in appearance.

Single copies cost 20 cents each, and in quantities of 100 or more, the cost is 10 cents per copy. Order *Song in the Air* from the Service Department, Box 871, Nashville 2.

Missionary packet ready for MYF groups

Each year the youth of many denominations concentrate on a pair of missionary study themes, and youth fellowships across the country study the topics in morning classes, evening meetings and special study groups.

This year the themes are "The Life and Task of the Church around the World," and "Spanish-Speaking Americans in the U. S. A."

To help local MYF councils plan for mission studies, the Youth Department has prepared a free packet of resource materials, and the packet is now being mailed on request.

It contains a complete listing of missionary materials, book and pamphlets for youth, a recent *Methodist Youth Fund Bulletin*, folders on Crusade Scholar program and Methodist missions.

Most helpful to councils is a list of resource materials that can be found in church publications over a period of a year, a list of "Around the Calendar" suggestions for youth activities in Christian outreach.

Each local church is entitled to one free youth missionary packet. Order from the Youth Department, P. O. Bo 871, Nashville 2, Tenn.

Some ideas on how to study

As final exams come along thi month and next, many a student wi make resolutions about his stud habits. You know, "next semester I get to work sooner and won't pu things off."

A new booklet is aimed to help ju those people. In a catchy style, *Stud Your Way Through School* gives help ful hints and good ideas to the studer who needs help on how to study. Th booklet is aimed primarily at colleg students, but its format seems sharpe for high school students. Both wi benefit from it.

The 48-page manual is one of th Life Adjustment series of the Scienc Research Associates, 57 West Gran Ave., Chicago 10, Ill., 40 cents a copy

It takes all kinds - -

DRIFTING DRIP, or "The Presi dent of the Fellowship of the Uncon cerned," or the "don't give a han about anything" type. Makes no com mitments, has no purpose. Sea of lif takes him where it will, for he steer no course. Feather symbolizes ligh thinking.

ıtchnight service go out on TV

YF groups will have Watchnight ces in all kinds of settings and tions come December 31, but youth he North Alabama Conference F are cooperating with youth of r denominations in a pioneering ure: they are telecasting a Watchit service over channel 13 in Birmam.

ethodist youth had the idea, pred it to the youth council, got a mittee to outline the service, then oached the program director of the station to ask time for the show. Watchnight service from CONCERN adapted for an interdenominationrvice and the whole program fitted V.

o local church service will be cand because of the telecast. Some groups are gathering in their ches to watch the telecast and then their own services. Main purpose ne project is to reach thousands of le who would not otherwise be red that the coming of a New Year for more than a party.

le Rock rally rs NCMY president

outh in the Little Rock Conference program director talked with the ion's board of directors who voted ive the program time free of cost. outh from several churches and sters of four denominations will icipate in the TV service.

talking about a Youth Emphasis that would have "more than a sand" in attendance. They held rally November 7 at Arkadelphia, , and reached their goal. More 1000 people turned out for the

eatured speaker was the new presi- of the National Conference of ıodist Youth, Dick Thompson. The Fers also heard Rev. Lester Finley ochester, N. Y., just returned from years missionary service in India, Dorothy Kelley, a district missionin the conference. Thompson spoke he history and purpose of the h Emphasis, Finley showed slides is work in India, and Miss Kelley

MYF in action

NCMY president Dick Thompson and Little Rock Conference president Ann Rice get together at the conference Youth Emphasis rally to talk over the news among Methodist youth.

discussed the MYFund. Conference WSCS youth secretary Mrs. Edward McLean and the MYF of the Pine Bluff church presented a pageant on Christian witness.

District MYF on the way up

From the WSCS youth secretary of the Central New York Conference and the district director of youth work for the Elmira district—same person, Mrs. Lloyd F. Shepherd, comes word that the Elmira district MYFers are on the move, and it's up.

TV newscasts were spreading the word that police in one city had taken a thousand teen-agers in a crackdown on rowdyism, at the time that 1200 youth of the district were gathering in Hedding church, Elmira for a fall rally. Attendance was more than expected, and they think it was the big-

gest district rally in the history of the conference.

A fall training conference had twice as many delegates as they expected, and the big talk was about new MYFs in churches that previously had none.

Local missions win new MFYers

Goal of the Youth Emphasis this fall was to have Christian witness missions in the local churches of Methodism. As reports came in, they were much like one from West church in Cullman, Ala.

The MYF went through its rolls, found 20 inactive members, then set out to win them back and get some new members, too. Each night, October 26-28, MYFers met for prayer, then went out in teams to visit.

They found youth, told them about the MYF and its faith and activities. In the two Sundays after the mission, the youth noticed new interest, more enthusiasm and cooperation, and a deeper Christian fellowship. The West MYF has grown in numbers and in spirit.

MYF Roundup

◆ A scavenger hunt organized to collect clothes for overseas relief also netted a new family for church membership in New Orleans. Some 130 members of the New Orleans subdistrict participated in the hunt, and o team calling on a family to ask for o clothes, found that the family was ne in the city and obtained permission t write for their church letters to tran fer membership.

◆ The MYF of Pioneer church Walla Walla, Wash. held a You Fund banquet November 20 and nett $160 for the Fund. Theme was Indi featuring a fashion show of Indi costumes, and speaker was Miss Ma Gordon, superintendent of nurses Clara Swain Hospital in Bareilly, I dia, which is a project of the You Fund.

◆ One of the most active groups the country is in Morristown, Ten where the MYF of First church h grown in two years from 19 to 70 me bers. This year they sent two box of supplies to Marcy Center in Chic go, sent 200 pounds of clothing a shoes for overseas relief, painted a redecorated their church school roo conducted a Christian witness missi —visiting 30 youth and adding five their fellowship; held a special you week as part of a spiritual life mi sion; operated a Saturday car-wa service; continued an annual project taking a worship service and presen to each of 150 children at a local o phanage, and they are giving $175 the MYFund. The whole MYF hir out to Sears Roebuck to deliver ci culars and spent their earnings "adopt" a European orphan. A pray group that meets every Monday aft school seems to be a source of pow in the group.

Presidents of the intermediate and senior MYFs of Ginter Park church in Richmond, Va. stand by the thermometer of MYFund giving, which they saw boil over the top. The department pledged $480 and paid over $500 to the Youth Fund —and the big thing is — without any pie or cake sales to help. The youth pledged and then paid consistently, week by week.

itual life retreat sforms MSM groups

is fall Bob Parrott wrote his is about an unusual event in the of the Southwestern Louisiana cute Wesley Foundation, where he rector.

nly yesterday," he began, "I re- d with a tired but relaxed bus of 32 students after a 90 mile from Camp Brewer. Our bus r, a red-haired fellow employed ne owner of a fleet of buses and a member of our Wesley group, up before us and said, "I'd just o say—how much I've enjoyed go- with all of you. I think it's been finest group of people I've ever with. And—and I've really gotten iritual blessing out of it. And— if you were going again next end, I'd go with you. Thank you."

here was a round of applause, and ess. Then we prayed, and sang, we knew we had been on a real tual life retreat, the first of its that we had tried, and one which make a difference in the lives of nts."

all started at the Ecumenical Stu- Workers' conference last August Lillian Hay, state MSM director ouisiana, and Bob Parrott started ng about a conference without a dule that would have time for real tation. Several Wesley Foundation tors talked about the idea. And Adams, director at Northwestern College at Natchitoches, La. y got interested. So planning ps at the state MSM retreat got to brass tacks, and the two ls — Northwestern and South- rn held a joint retreat.

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d that's all you can say about an ience that was real to those stu-

ormal fellowship, a hike, the joy ing with people, work, worship,

MSM in action

Bible study, discussion groups — a spiritual life retreat does wonders.

They are still talking about those wonders in Louisiana.

Lawrence plans in final stages

With registrations pouring in at the rate of 100 to 150 a day, the staff of the Department of College and University Religious Life noted the beginning of December and thought of the month's demands. It is almost here: the fifth National Methodist Student Conference.

On December 28 about 2300 students and adult counselors will converge on the campus of the University of Kansas at Lawrence, and for six days they will face the theme, "Christ Transforming Culture."

Registration deadline is December 15.

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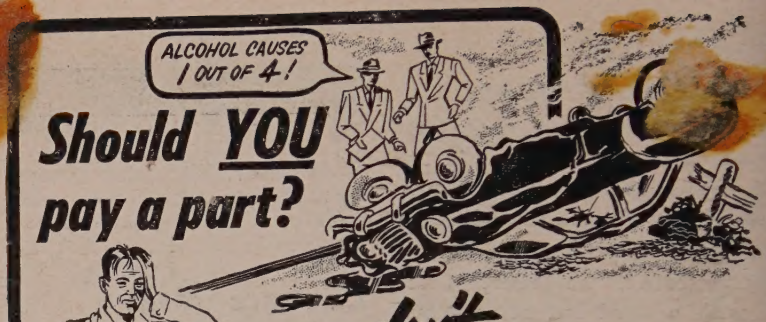

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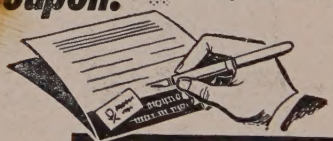

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